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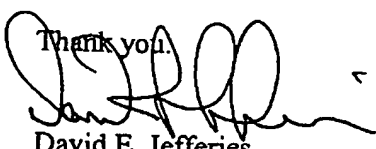
Re: U.S. Serial No. 09/753,355
A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR FORMING
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Dear Sir:

I, the undersigned, having Power of Attorney for the following applications:

09/224,444; 09/224,463; 09/476,411; 09/469,738; 09/608,673; 09/605,772; 09/608,671;
09/753,355; 09/788,073; 09/780,864; 09/978,457; 10/098,646; 10/269,757,

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In consideration of good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the undersigned, William F. Polley and Fidelis C. Onwumere, hereby sell, assign, and transfer to Ethicon, Inc., a corporation of New Jersey, having a principal place of business at U.S. Route 22, Somerville, New Jersey 08876, ("Assignee"), and its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the entire right, title, and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements that are disclosed in the application for the United States patent that was filed December 29, 2000 and assigned Application No. 09/753,355 and is entitled:

A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR FORMING A ONE-PIECE INTRODUCER

and in and to said application and all divisional applications, continuation applications, continued prosecution applications, continuation-in-part applications, substitute applications, renewal applications, reissue applications, reexaminations, extensions, and all other patent applications that have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said improvements; and in and to all original patents, reissued patents, reexamination certificates, and extensions, that have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on said improvements; and in and to all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application;

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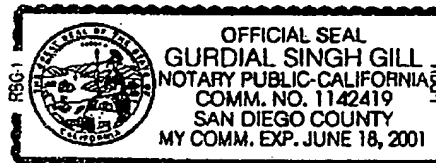
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On this 17 day of May, 2001, before me, GURDIAL SINGH GILL, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared WILLIAM F. POLLEY, personally known to me OR

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Date: May 10, 2001

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On this 10 day of MAY ²⁰⁰¹ 2000, before me, JOAN STOJANOWSKI, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared FIDELIS C. ONWUMERE, the X personally known to me OR

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WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Joan Stojanowski
Notary's Signature

JOAN STOJANOWSKI
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